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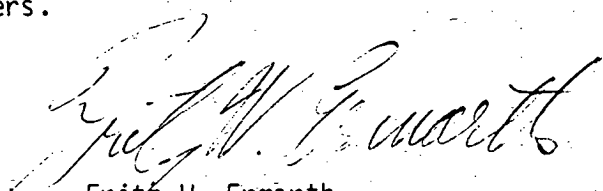
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SUBJECT: Note of Appreciation for Principal Drafters

1. NFIB has approved the Special National Intelligence Estimate on Japanese export control, and it was distributed a few days ago. The Estimate is a quality effort that was drafted under tight time constraints. Nevertheless, it is a fine document which was directly responsive to the request of a senior policymaker in the Department of State. The concerns he raised were addressed, and appropriate judgments were reached.

2. The high quality of this SNIE can be credited almost exclusively to [redacted] of OEA, and [redacted] of OSWR, for the fine drafting work they did. It was good to see representatives from different offices working in such a collegial manner on this important effort. I do not believe it would have been nearly as successful if it had not been for the close cooperation between these two drafters.

3. The purpose of this note is to express my personal appreciation for the fine work of these two excellent analysts. I trust that the NIC may call on them and other members of your offices for future drafting of important documents requested by senior policymakers.


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